



*Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee being briefed in Iraq on the needs of Freedom Hospital.*

support for earned legalization and the need to protect the civil liberties and civil rights of immigrants. She also emphasized the need to reinstate the Section 245(i) waiver, which would prevent the disruption of American families in which an undocumented person would be able to become a lawful resident but for technical violations of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

★ **Child Predator:** Rescuing Houston from Child Predator—In response to a rash of sexual assaults on young boys in southeast Houston, Congresswoman Jackson Lee, as Chairwoman of the Congressional Children's Caucus, decided that both federal and local government resources needed to be utilized to end the pain and fear that had been inflicted upon the community. After the FBI got involved due to the Congresswoman's urging, the police apprehended the suspect in the next few days.

★ **Flooding:** Immediately after the torrential floods of November 17, Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee requested that Governor Rick Perry enlist the assistance of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to address the problems caused in Houston. Many of those living in Houston have suffered significant damage to their homes and some homes have been completely destroyed including landmarks of the 18th Congressional District. Governor Perry issued a Proclamation on November 17 declaring a state of disaster as stated in his letter to President Bush dated November 21, 2003 requesting program funds to aid in rebuilding the damaged counties.

★ **Foreign Affairs:** In mid-November of this year, Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee met with military and government officials in Iraq, Jordan, and Kuwait to assess the ongoing situation in that region encompassed in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Iron Hammer. During the fact-based visit, she interacted with Ambassador Paul Bremer, USAID administrators, military intelligence officials, coalition provisional authority personnel, and directors charged with rebuilding the infrastructure and government of Iraq. Congresswoman Jackson Lee also met with U.S. soldiers who are stationed in Baghdad.

#### ★ Partial Report of Funding for District ★

Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee delivers Special Earmarks for Houston

\$2.8 million for Fiscal Year 2004

18th Congressional District

FY 2003-2004

Homeland Security .....	\$45,556,882.00
Veterans Affairs .....	\$320,000,000.00
NASA .....	\$42,818,327.00
Educational Grants .....	\$23,262,291.00
Crime Prevention Grants (DOJ) .....	\$28,340,398.00

**Federal Dollars delivered for the**

**18th Congressional District ..... \$459,977,898.00**



*Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee serves on the Select Committee on Homeland Security. She is attending a hearing entitled, "First Responders: How States, Localities and the Federal Government Can Strengthen Their Partnership to Make America Safer."*

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